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SUBJ: VISIT OF COMPTROLLER GENERAL ELMER STAATS

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1. THE PRESIDENT OF THE SAO PAULO MUNICIPAL TRIBUNAL DE CONTAS ADVISED US THAT ALL OF THE INAUGURATION CEREMONIES CONNECTED WITH THE DECEMBER 8 OPENING OF THE NEW JUSTICE BUILDING HAVE BEEN CANCELLED. THE REASON GIVEN WAS "THE COUNTRY'S CURRENT ECONOMIC-FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES." PRESIDENT PAULO PLANET BUARQUE EXPRESSED HIS REGRET AND HOPED THAT THE INVITATION COULD BE RENEWED ON ANOTHER OCCASION.

2. COMMENT: THE TRIBUNAL DE CONTAS HAS COME UNDER SEVERE FIRE FOR ITS LUXURIOUS NEW BUILDING AND THE HIGH SALARIES AND STYLE OF LIVING OF THE JUSTICES. SINCE SAO PAULO IS THE ONLY CITY IN BRAZIL WHICH STILL RETAINS ITS OWN ACCOUNTS COURT, THE PLANNED SUMPTUOUS INAUGURATION CEREMONIES CALLED ATTENTION TO THE ANOMALY OF THE COURT'S EXISTENCE.
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